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SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Beutler.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator, I...you know, let me check back and get you that information, because we are on General File here. But I don't know...

SENATOR BOURNE: Excuse me. We are on Select File, aren't we?

SENATOR BEUTLER: No, we're on General File.

SENATOR BOURNE: Okay. I'm ahead on the agenda. I guess what I...your...this amendment is an amendment to the Banking Committee's amendment. Correct? And that is the same...I was looking ahead on the agenda to Select File, and I see you are on General, but I would assume...and I didn't read the green copy of the bill. I'm looking at the committee amendment and Senator Mines' amendment to the committee amendment. And I'm assuming the green copy is identical, in that we give this authority to the Department of Health and Human Services, and I'm kind of concerned about that.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Yeah, Senator, as I understand it with regard to the self-funded insurers, they are not regulated by the Department of Insurance. And so it...and because this deals with the coordination of benefits and DHH (sic), it seemed entirely appropriate that the rule and regs should be right there.

SENATOR BOURNE: Okay, let me...actually maybe I should, because I was confused earlier, maybe I should ask this of Senator Mines.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Mines.

SENATOR BOURNE: Would Senator Mines yield to a question?

SENATOR MINES: No. Yes, I will, Mr. President.

SENATOR BOURNE: (Laugh) Senator Mines. Can you tell me, was that in...this language in Section 7 which gives the Department of Health and Human Services that authority, was that in the